

The Ultimate Hotel & Golf Internship

Would you like to experience a once in a lifetime opportunity, working in the golf and hotel industry at an award-winning Championship resort, while getting paid and playing unlimited golf?

Join The Machrie as a paid intern!

A CAMPBELL GRAY HOTEL

Golf has been played at The Machrie since 1891.

Designed by Willie Campbell and more recently modernised by course architect DJ Russell, The Machrie is now a world renowned Championship Golf Links, rated one of the top twenty golf courses in Scotland by Golf Digest.

It combines the very best of a traditional, historic links course from a previous age, with a modern links. The need for thought, imagination and creative shot-making has not changed throughout the years and carries as much of a premium over sheer power now as it did 130 years ago. Opened in late Summer 2018 after a complete renovation and expansion, The Machrie Hotel features 47 beautifully designed rooms, suites and lodges, some with their own outdoor terraces and stunning views across the Links.

Voted Scotland's Hotel of the Year 2020, The Machrie provides guests with the perfect place to meet and relax including the impressive restaurant, 18, with panoramic sea views.

Other than our stunning 18-hole Championship Links, we also have the Wee Course, a six-hole, par-3 course which can be played from different tees. A first-class short game area with putting green that allows you to test all the shots you can ever imagine needing on the course. Our all-weather, 5-bay driving range is accompanied by an indoor golf studio which includes a Trackman Golf Simulator to fully analyse your swing and finally, the beautiful Hebrides putting course.

What is offered?

We are offering two internship programmes for you to choose from;

1. The Golf & Hotel Operations Internship

This internship programme will cover areas from marketing initiatives, retail management, food & beverage service and facilities, running and planning golf days, Trackman use, event planning and administration; as well as training in customer services and health & safety.

What will I learn?

- Demonstrate the ability to exceed guest expectations by delivering above and beyond first class customer service and anticipating customer/guest needs.
- Fundamentals of operating a Golf
 Academy, retail shop, Golf Club
 Membership and facilities management.
- Hands on experience of day to day service of both food and beverages.
- Plan, prepare and help action hotel and golf events, liaising with the Event Coordinator and various department managers as appropriate.

- Attend executive management meetings and develop supervisory skills understanding how to manpower plan, rota and organise a daily shift.
- Support with interview skills and CV development.
- Present a project to the executive team at the end of your internship.

2. The Championship Course Maintenance Internship

At the end of the internship the participants will have a full understanding of the impact the golf course maintenance operation can have on guest's experience and be fully competent in the following areas:

What will I learn?

General Course Maintenance

- Chemicals used and how to apply correctly.
- Common grass diseases.
- Grass types on the links.
- General Health & Safety in the workplace.
- Carrying out risk assessments.
- Pre planning of work day, ensuring all resources necessary are in place for work planned; job roles have been allocated to staff members, adequate staffing levels on the day.
- Sustainability on the links.
- Irrigation system and correct water usage for the plant.
- Bunker maintenance.
- Machinery maintenance practices.
- Budget process and presentation.

Daily Course Set Up

- Mowing practises and grass heights for tee, fairway, semi-rough, approaches and greens.
- Green speeds and how this can impact pace of play and enjoyment of golfers.
- Bunker presentation.
- How to approach course maintenance practices around golfers playing.
- Correct usage of machinery required to present the course in the correct manner.
- Understand the reasons behind different tee and hole positions and how this can add or detract to the customer experience in different weather conditions.
- The importance of correct attention to detail in the presentation of the links. *And so much more...*

At The Machrie we realise that a successful internship programme is about so much more than just work and learning. Exciting out of hours activities will be planned and available for interns, such as:

- Whisky Tour
- Beach BBQ

- Hiking
- Boat trip to visit one of the world's largest whirlpools!

Golf TripKayaking

Onsite shared accommodation is provided to give the interns the opportunity to meet each other, making friendships and memories that will last long after their time at The Machrie has finished as well as enjoying Islay life.

Term:

Up to six months (*minimum internship period is three months*) Attractive pay rates On site accommodation provided

Closing dates for applications:

12.00pm 31st January 2022

Location

The Machrie Hotel & Golf Links is located on the Isle of Islay, off the west coast of Scotland and is accessible via ferry or short flight from Glasgow.

Car, Bus & Ferry

Travelling from Glasgow by car or Citylink Bus, you take the picturesque route past Loch Lomond and Loch Fyne to Kennacraig which takes about 2½ hours. You leave Kennacraig on a Calmac Ferry to Port Askaig or Port Ellen which takes 2 hours. If you wish to leave your car in Kennacraig, you can travel as a foot passenger; currently £7.20 single fare. We can arrange transfers to and from the ferry ports. The cost to bring your car starts from £35.00 each way. Advance bookings for your car is essential.

Linking Islay and Northern Ireland

The Kintyre Express is a fast passenger ferry service that links up Islay and Northern Ireland. This service runs from April to September and links Ballycastle on the Antrim Coast to Port Ellen on Islay.

By Air Loganair manage the Glasgow-Islay service twice daily.

How do I apply?

Click here to download our application form.



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Dates available:

April 2022 to October 2022